

## FOUND ASTRIDE SMALL BOAT'S BOTTOM IN ROADS

Young Man Picked Up by Steamer Endeavor Tells Remarkable Story.

## BORROWED BOAT TO TAKE A SAIL

Officers of Vessel Concluded that Any one Who Went For a Sail in Hampton Roads Last Night Did So For Urgent Reasons, So They Turned Leonard Harten Over to Authorities.

Found astride of the bottom of a small, upturned sail boat, a young man who gave his name as Leonard Harten, was found in Hampton Roads last night by the Norfolk & Atlantic Terminal Company's steamer Endeavor as the steamer was making the 8:20 o'clock trip from Pine Beach to Ivy avenue pier.

The night was dark and stormy and it was only by chance that the steamer ran near enough for those on board to hear Harten's frantic cries for help. As it happened, however, the cries were plainly audible, the Endeavor narrowly missed running over the little boat. Harten was taken aboard, but on account of the water conditions no attempt was made to save the boat.

The young man told a wonderful story of how he had borrowed the sail boat from a negro at Pine Beach to take a sail on the Roads. He had nearly reached the Newport News side when, in attempting to go about, he capsized the craft. This was about fifteen minutes before the steamer came along.

The officers of the steamer came to the conclusion that any one who would "go for a sail" on Hampton Roads on such a night must have urgent reasons for reaching the other side. Moreover, they did not like Harten's looks, so they carried him back to Pine Beach and turned him over to the Norfolk county authorities to be held for an investigation.

Harten said that his home was in Brockton, Mass., and that he was staying at Pine Beach for the present.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL TO GIVE ANNUAL PICNIC JOINTLY

First Presbyterian and Thirtieth Street Christian Committees Complete Arrangements.

Committees appointed by the Sunday schools of the First Presbyterian and Thirtieth Street Christian churches, including the superintendents and several members of each school, met yesterday in the office of Mr. James Sommerville and perfected arrangements for holding the annual picnic of the schools jointly this year.

It is proposed to charter a large steamer, with accommodations for about 600 persons, and cruise up the Chesapeake & Mobjack bays to one of the beautiful water front homes on the Ware river, Gloucester county. Arrangements have been made to disembark and spread dinners on a large shady lawn on the water's edge. The steamer will be sufficiently large to accommodate both the schools and many others than members who may desire to make the trip.

The picnic will be given on or about Thursday, June 18. The steamer will leave the Old Dominion pier A at 8:30 o'clock and in the evening will start homeward at 8:20 o'clock. Refreshments will be served on the steamer. The members of the

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Mr. John A. Moss was elected chairman of the joint committee, Mr. J. M. Curtis treasurer, and Mr. Paul Burbridge secretary. Mr. James A. Sommerville is chairman of the advertising and entertainment committee.

Messrs. J. M. Curtis and DeWitt Crane agreed to play on the baseball team.

Last year the First Presbyterian Sunday school ran its picnic to Jamestown Island, and carried 615 people. The Mobjack trip is expected to attract a big crowd.

## SHIPPING REPORT

Thursday, June 4, 1908.

**Arrived.**  
Steamer Ruterglen (Br.) Burns, Cardiff—To New River consolidated Coal Company in ballast.

Steamer Madrilenio (Spn.) Larrinaga, Port Tampa—To Chesapeake & Ohio Coal and Coke Company for bunker coal.

Schooner Loring V. Ballard, Kelley, Vineyard Haven—To New River Consolidated Coal Company.

**Cleared.**  
Steamer Madrilenio (Spn.) Larrinaga, Hamburg—Chesapeake & Ohio Coal and Coke Company.

Barge Kennebec for Boston—Chesapeake & Ohio Coal Agency Company.

Barge Idaho for Portland—Chesapeake & Ohio Coal Agency Company.

Barge Badger for Lynn—White Oak Coal Company.

**Sailed.**  
Steamers James Brand (Br.) Torrence (from Port Arthur), Manchester and Harrow; Madrilenio (Spn.) Hamburg; Bay State, Sledern, Boston, towing barge Badger for Lynn.

**Calendar for Today.**  
Sun rises . . . . . 4:45 a. m.  
Sun sets . . . . . 7:21 p. m.  
High water . . . . . 2:05 a. m.; 2:42 p. m.  
Low water . . . . . 8:37 a. m.; 8:46 p. m.

**Coal for New Zealand.**  
The British steamship Ruterglen, Captain Burns, arrived in port yesterday from Cardiff to load about 6,000 tons of coal for Auckland, New Zealand. The coal will be used by the ships of the Atlantic battleship fleet.

## CLASS CELEBRATION OF HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

Enjoyable Entertainment Marks the Beginning of the Commencement Exercises.

With an enjoyable "class day" celebration by the graduating class of "June, 1908," in the High school assembly hall, the commencement exercises of the local High school began last night. Tonight at 8 o'clock the literary society will hold its annual public entertainment in the assembly hall and Sunday morning at 11 o'clock Rev. J. J. Riddick, pastor of the Second Baptist church, will preach the baccalaureate sermon to the graduates. Monday night the final exercises will be held at the Academy of Music.

In spite of the disagreeable weather last night an audience that filled the assembly hall attended the "class day" exercises. The celebration opened with an address of welcome by the class president, Mr. Lucien Hall. Miss Annie B. Cooke read an interesting "class history," and Miss Sallie Vann delivered the class biography, describing the careers of each of the graduates, and giving their ages. Following an instrumental solo by Miss Edith Boswell, Messrs. Harry Sherman and Carroll Smith delivered an amusing dialogue. "Class superstitions" were read by Miss Hattie Robertson and Mr. Percy C. Hamilton delivered an oration on "Jefferson Davis." This was one of the best numbers on the evening's program.

Following a piano duet by Misses Hazel Weaver and Estelle Hall, Miss Mary E. Flury made the presentation oration, presenting each of her classmates with a slight remembrance. Her paper was decidedly witty and evoked many laughs from the audience. The class prophecy was read by Mr. James Williamson, Jr., and Miss Emma Murray delivered the class will.

An instrumental solo by Miss Hazel Weaver and the reading of the class poem by Mr. Lucien Hall, concluded the program. The celebration ended with the class song.

The hall was tastefully decorated with the class colors of purple and white.

## ACADEMY COMMENCEMENT.

Rev. W. M. Vines Preaches Baccalaureate Sermon Sunday.

The annual commencement of the Newport News Academy begins Sunday night with the annual sermon at the Newport News Baptist church. The sermon will be preached by Rev. W. M. Vines, D. D., of Norfolk. Tuesday night the regular exercises will be held at the Baptist church, the address being made by Rev. W. C. James, D. D., of Richmond.

It will not be many days before it arrives in Newport News. Then the children can see it.

Have you thought of a pretty name? It will be here in a few days.

## NAVAL DOCTOR ON TRIAL

Spear Faces Court Martial On Forgery Charge at Washington.

## WILKIE SAYS HE CONFESSED

Secret Service Chief Testifies Accused Told Him Offense Was Due to "Booze"—Examining Physicians Says He Traced Handwriting on Checks to Defendant.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 4.—Charged with forgery, larceny, presenting fraudulent claims against the government, and miscellaneous conduct, Assistant Surgeon David A. Spear, U. S. N., is on trial before a court martial sitting at the Washington navy yard. Spear is accused of stealing and cashing, after having forged their indorsements, pay checks belonging to Surgeon E. J. Grow and Assistant Surgeon C. G. Alderman and F. H. Stibbens.

The checks were issued by Pay Inspector S. L. Jean, of the navy department house, where Drs. Grow, Alderman, Stibbens, and Spear lived. The envelopes containing the checks disappeared, and later the vouchers were presented at the paymaster's office by Dr. Spear. It is alleged, and cashed. The matter was placed in the hands of the secret service department, and it is said, Dr. Spear confessed to John F. White, chief of the department, that he was guilty.

Entered Navy Last October.

Dr. Spear, who is about twenty-eight years old, is a son of Judge W. T. Spear, who has been a judge of the Ohio Supreme Court for thirty years. He is a graduate of the University of Virginia, and entered the naval service last October. He was at the Washington navy yard for instruction at the time of the alleged offense. His father, Judge Spear, is in Washington, and will appear as a witness for his son.

The defense will be that the accused was insane at the time he committed the offense.

Pending a decision of the court-martial, Dr. Spear is a prisoner on the Mayflower. If all the counts against him are sustained his punishment may be a dismissal from the service, besides imprisonment, not to exceed twelve years. He is defended by Surg. S. G. Evans, U. S. N., and H. H. Grimes, a civilian. Lieut. Joseph A. Russell, U. S. N., as judge advocate, has charge of the government's case.

**Members of Court-Martial.**  
The members of the court-martial are Capt. William J. Barnette, Lieut. Col. Benjamin R. Russell, Medical Inspector Samuel H. Dickson, Commander B. C. Bryson, Surg. Charles M. Dyson, and Frank L. Pleadwell, Passed Assistant Surgeon Cary T. Grayson and First Lieut. Joseph A. Russell, judge advocate. Lieut. C. Campbell is provost marshal.

The case as presented by the government yesterday was that on March 16 last the pay checks of Drs. Grow, Alderman, and Stibbens were mailed from the pay inspector's office to their homes at the Benedit apartment house. On the day following they were presented by Dr. Spear, and cashed. When the three physicians failed to receive the checks they notified the pay inspector's office and an investigation was ordered.

**Thought It Was His Writing.**  
Dr. Grow, who was a member of the examining board when Dr. Spear took the examination for navy surgeon, was shown the cashed checks with their indorsements, and looked over the examination papers to see if he could trace a resemblance in the handwriting. He testified that he thought the writing was that of Dr. Spear. This information was given to Chief Wilkie, who sent for Dr. Spear on April 18, but the latter denied all knowledge of the matter.

On May 25, having other information, Chief Wilkie again sent for Surgeon Spear. That time he boldly accused the doctor of taking and cashing the checks, and he testified yesterday that Spear confessed he had taken the checks. According to the testimony, Spear said he saw the envelopes containing the checks lying on a table in the hallway of the apartment house. He took them, he is alleged to have said, and going out in the street, opened the envelopes and took out the checks, throwing the envelopes away. Next day, March 17, he is said to have added, he went to the pay inspector's office, indorsed the checks, and obtained the money, amounting to \$262.69.

**Asked If It Was Due to Drink.**  
Chief Wilkie testified he asked Spear why he had done so, and whether the alleged offense was due to wine, women, or cards. The answer was, according to the testimony, "Booze."

E. G. Wright, chief clerk in the pay inspector's office, testified as to the method of sending out checks and identified the checks.

Chief Wilkie also testified he compared the alleged forged signature on the checks with the hand of Dr. Spear, and said that he was convinced the accused surgeon signed the names.

When Dr. Spear was asked to plead to the indictment he remained mute, but his counsel asked that the charge be withdrawn on the ground that the accused was insane at the time the alleged offense was committed. This was refused by the court. Since the filing of the charges, restitution of the money obtained has been made.

## Vaudeville and Pictures.

The feature act of the ten-cent vaudeville bill at the Buckeye Beach Casino next week, opening Monday night, will be the Harlem Brothers, premiere comedy acrobats. This week the two Harlems are the feature act on the vaudeville bill at Idlewood Park, Richmond, and according to the newspapers of Richmond they are making good with a vengeance.

Another clever act will be the "Country Kid" sketch by Willie Solar and Marie Francis, the clever comedian and comedienne with Gus Edwards' "Country Kids."

The management is endeavoring to secure for the week Leo Greenwood, "the juvenile Jew," who is remembered for his work as leading comedian with the Corinne-Runkel stock company, which played in Newport News two years ago.

In addition to these features there will be several moving picture subjects and an illustrated song or two, combining to make up a big show for the month.

"Save your coupons" is a line the management is using on all of its advertising matter and it is evident that the coupons on the admission tickets will interest all of the Casino patrons.

## Funeral of Mrs. Shield.

The funeral of Mrs. Eugenia Shield, who died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. R. M. Sinclair, on Thirtieth street, early Wednesday morning, will take place at St. Paul's Episcopal church at 12:30 o'clock today. Interment will be made at Greenlawn. The full choir of the church will sing during the services.

## Negro Discharged.

In the police court yesterday Raymond Evans, a negro arrested several days ago on the charge of breaking into the Bolling Grocery Company's store and stealing a thousand cigarettes, was discharged.

## Virginia Part of His Territory.

WASHINGTON, June 4.—Representative Shimmis, of Tennessee, has been designated by Chairman Mann, of the House special committee, to investigate the paper and wood pulp industry, to look after that part of the inquiry relative to the wood pulp business of North Carolina, Virginia and Tennessee.

## Solace in Commission.

(By Associated Press.)

MARE ISLAND, CAL., June 4.—The form-r army transport steamer Solace has been placed in commission at the navy yard, where she has been for some time undergoing repairs and general overhauling. She will serve as a parent ship to the torpedo flotilla.

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